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Claims

1. Equipment (1) for acquiring and transmitting images and/or sounds, characterized in that it is fitted inside a protective housing (2) consisting of a
5 base plate (3) with a substantially flat external surface (5), on which the said equipment (1) is fixed in such a way that it can rotate, and a cover (4) hinged on the edge of the said base plate (3) and shaped in such a way that, when it is made to rotate
10 with respect to the base plate (3) and is laid on top of and parallel to the latter (3), it contains the equipment (1) inside it, the cover (4) and the base plate (3) being connected together, when the cover (4) is closed, by connecting means which can be released by
15 remote control, and elastic means being interposed between the base plate (3) and the cover (4) to cause a relative rotation between the cover (4) and the base plate (3) with an amplitude equal to or greater than 90 degrees, the weight of the combination of the equipment
20 (1) and the base plate (3) on which it is fixed being greater than that of the cover (4).
2. Equipment according to Claim 1, provided with means, also remotely controllable, for rotating it with
25 respect to the base plate (3) on which it is fixed.
3. Equipment according to Claim 2, in which the means for rotating the base plate are battery-powered electric motors with a speed of rotation of
30 approximately 6 revolutions per minute.
4. Equipment according to any one of the preceding claims, provided with means of illumination (5) orientated towards the exterior.
- 35 5. Equipment according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it consists of elements

capable of operating even when they are in contact with a liquid.

6. Equipment according to any one of the preceding
5 claims, in which the cover (4) and the base plate (3)
are made from impact-resistant material.